

Statement by MWGFD eV on allegations against several doctors

In recent weeks, several doctors' homes and practices have been searched by police on charges of "issuing false health certificates." This meant issuing certificates exempting people from wearing masks.

Based on international specialist literature cited below, the MWGFD eV (MWGFD Association) makes the following statement. The association opposes mandatory mask wearing in public because this requirement is medically unfounded and the act of wearing a mask itself causes a variety of health risks. When issuing certificates for exemption from wearing a mask to patients seeking assistance, medical colleagues are guided by the following scientifically verifiable facts:

A) Extensive epidemiological studies have clearly shown that people without symptoms do not spread COVID-19 pneumonia to the general public (1, 2). Virus transmission by asymptomatic people can occasionally, albeit rarely, occur among members of a household, but then never leads to severe illness. Virus transmission outside of a household is a very rare event and never leads to pneumonia. This is likely due to the vanishingly small viral load released into the air (3). No outbreak of COVID-19 (pneumonia) worldwide has ever originated in schools, training centers, or universities. This makes the stated justification for the usefulness and necessity of a general mask requirement in the general public, and especially in schools, null and void.

B) It is well known that mandated measures such as wearing masks do not significantly impact the spread of infections. The renowned independent US institute, the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), reached this conclusion in its meta-analysis of data from 24 countries and 25 US states (4). Another study comparing 180 countries with regard to the influence of various factors also showed that government responses had no impact on the number of deaths; rather, other factors were decisive (5).

C) Instead of being beneficial, wearing masks poses a variety of health risks (6). The mere fact that significant carbon dioxide rebreathing occurs raises legal doubts about the requirement to wear masks. The carbon dioxide concentration in the atmosphere, including outdoor air, is 0.04 percent by volume (vol%). The

Federal Environment Agency specifies a CO₂ concentration exceeding 0.2 vol% as a risky level. This is also considered the limit value for children and pregnant women. The maximum workplace concentration (MAK), i.e., the value that is acceptable to healthy adults in the workplace, is 0.5 vol%.

As early as September 2020, a measurement conducted by Dr. Helmut Traindl on three test subjects (two adults and one child) showed that the CO₂ concentration behind fabric masks reached health-threatening levels (7). In a recent study, a South Tyrolean team measured the CO₂ levels in the inhaled air behind fabric masks in 24 people (including seven children). The values determined ranged between 0.8 and 2.4 vol% – the lowest value was thus significantly higher, and the highest value almost five times higher, than the permissible concentration at an adult's workplace (8). Children have a significantly higher oxygen requirement than adults and are much more sensitive to any increase in carbon dioxide. The measured concentrations behind the masks were 4 to 12 times higher than the maximum value of 0.2 vol% set for children.

The increased carbon dioxide concentration in the inhaled air leads to typical symptoms such as headaches, difficulty concentrating, dizziness, nausea, cardiac arrhythmias, blood pressure problems, and even circulatory collapse. These are complaints that mask wearers report to doctors every day. In addition, there are psychological problems such as anxiety and panic when wearing a mask.

D) In summary, there can be no doubt that a general mask requirement in schools or in public is incompatible with applicable health protection laws. It is the duty of every responsible physician to inform themselves about these facts and, with this knowledge, to protect and preserve the health of their patients. The colleagues issuing the certificates have thus simply fulfilled their duty. The MWGFD e.V. fully supports them and their medical actions.

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New report on medical, psychological and sociological advantages and disadvantages – Dr. Helmut Traindl

Government experts have known about the actual "benefits" of masks from the very beginning of the crisis. A growing number of studies, including the latest report by Austrian chemist Dr. Traindl, assume a high health risk. Masks contain high levels of toxic substances (Group 2B carcinogens) that are classified as "possibly carcinogenic" to humans when inhaled. The report covers both surgical masks and FFP2 masks.

This article discusses several studies that have examined the impact of mask wearing on COVID-19 cases in recent years. For example, a European study concludes:

"These results suggest that countries with high levels of mask compliance did not fare better than countries with low mask use. Furthermore, the

moderately positive correlation between mask use and deaths in Western Europe suggests that widespread mask use may have potentially harmful, unintended consequences ."

(...)

The entire report is available on the Lawyers for Enlightenment website.

TO THE REPORT < [HTTPS://WWW.AFA-ZONE.AT/ALLGEMEIN/AUSWIRKUNGEN-VON-MASKEN-NEUES-GUTACHTEN-UEBER-MEDIZINISCHE-PSYCHOLOGISCHE-UND-SOZIOLOGISCHE-VOR-UND-NACHTEILE/](https://www.afa-zone.at/allgemein/auswirkungen-von-masken-neues-gutachten-ueber-medizinische-psychologische-und-soziologische-vor-und-nachteile/)>

The Weimar Sensational Verdict

The Weimar Sensational Verdict: Weimar District Court, Decision of 08.04.2021, Ref. No.: 9 F 148/21

In this decision of the Weimar District Court of April 8, 2021, all scientific arguments against the mask requirement are discussed in detail starting on page 20.

Weimar District Court: Decision < https://www.mwgfd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/2021-04-08-Amtsgericht-Weimar-9-F-148-21-EAO-Beschluss-anonym-2021-04-08_online.pdf>

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Deutsche Meta-Studie beweist massive Schädigung durch Masken

Es gibt keine sauber durchgeführten Studien, die irgendeinen Nutzen von Masken – egal welchen – nachweisen. Dagegen gibt es wissenschaftlich saubere Studien, wie die große dänische, die zeigen, dass es keinen Unterschied beim Anteil der Infektionen zwischen Maskenträgern und maskenfreien Personen gibt. Diese neue Meta-Studie zeigt dagegen ein umfangreiches Schadenspotenzial der Masken für ihre Träger.





Die erste Meta-Studie zu Masken

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Sind Masken für Kinder gefährlich? Ein Immunologe rechnet ab

„Die eigentlichen Leidenden unter der Situation sind die Kinder und Jugendlichen, die sehr frühzeitig als die Hauptverursacher dargestellt wurden, als die Superspreader“, kritisiert der Immunologe, Toxikologe und Pharmakologe Stefan Hockertz im Interview über sein neues Buch „Generation Maske“: „Die Schulen wurden mit als erstes geschlossen, und damit kam der Staat seinem Bildungsauftrag nicht mehr nach, ... weiterlesen

Die Maske: „Devil in Disguise“ – heimlicher Pandemie-Treiber?

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The paper by Reutlingen pathologist Prof. Dr. Arne Burkhardt on the “Pathology of mask wearing – The mask: “Devil in Disguise” – secret pandemic driver?”

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This highly valuable work by our club colleague, Prof. Dr. Arne Burkhardt, also sheds light on many previously neglected aspects of the pathology of mask wearing and, fortunately—with the author's kind permission—is being published exquisitely for the first time on our website. We extend our sincere thanks to Prof. Burkhardt for this!

The very interesting paper by safety expert Dr. Helmut Traindl on the topic “FFP2 masks – no protection against viruses but harmful to health”

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Existing scientific evidence questions the safety and effectiveness of wearing a face mask as a preventive measure for COVID-19. Data suggest that both medical and non-medical face masks are ineffective in preventing the person-to-person transmission of the viral and infectious disease COVID-19.

However, wearing face masks has significant adverse physiological and psychological effects. These include hypoxia, hypercapnia, respiratory distress, acidosis and toxicity, activation of stress responses, immunosuppression, fatigue, headaches, decreased cognitive performance, susceptibility to viral and infectious

diseases, chronic stress, anxiety, and depression. Long-term consequences of wearing a face mask can lead to deterioration of health, the development and progression of chronic diseases, and premature death.

Governments, policymakers and health organizations should take a science-based approach to wearing face masks if the latter is considered a preventive public health measure.

Studies and surveys on mandatory mask use:

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Medical and legal information on mask requirements and legal exemptions

Here is the information in video form: (as of Nov. 2020)



< <https://vimeo.com/476565623> >



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The data on mouth and nose coverings is essentially clear: On the one hand, there is simply no evidence that everyday masks provide reliable protection against virus transmission, but on the other hand, there is ample evidence that they pose a significant health risk.

At a press conference of the Robert Koch Institute on February 28 of this year, the deputy head of the agency, Lars Schade, stated that the RKI expressly does not recommend wearing masks in everyday life and clarified when asked:

"This has been studied many times: There is simply no scientific evidence that it makes any sense."

He is still absolutely right in this regard, as there is still no evidence to support the usefulness of everyday masks in containing the spread of coronavirus.

Prof. Dr. Ines Kappstein , an experienced hospital hygienist and specialist in microbiology, virology and infectious disease epidemiology who is a member of our association, comes to the following conclusions for the use of masks in public spaces in her recently published scientific article (1) :

"The use of masks in public spaces is questionable simply because of the lack of scientific data.

If one also considers the necessary precautions, masks must even be considered a risk of infection in public spaces, according to the rules known from hospitals."

Studies confirm that masks are ideal breeding grounds for germs. This is due, if only to the fact that dangerous bacteria, viruses, and fungi can quickly colonize the inside and outside of the mask in large numbers, making masks "true germ spreaders."

The warm air flowing through the fibers with its high humidity, which is partially absorbed in the mask fabric, quickly creates an ideal environment in which the bacteria and fungi that accumulate here can multiply rapidly.

In a microbiological examination of worn masks commissioned by the Swiss consumer magazine "K-Tipp," 14 of the 20 masks tested contained highly dangerous staphylococci, which can cause pneumonia and meningitis in addition to serious skin diseases. Mold and yeast, which cause dangerous fungal infections, such as in the lungs, were also detected on 15 of the 20 masks. Eleven of the tested masks contained more than 100,000 bacterial colonies, and three even contained more than one million.

The greatest danger of the face mask, however, comes from the constant rebreathing of carbon dioxide and the resulting CO₂ accumulation in the blood, called "hypercapnia".

This quickly leads to carbon dioxide poisoning with hyperacidity of the blood and numerous typical symptoms.

An experienced environmental engineer measured the CO₂ content of the air under the mask and came to a very frightening result: While the CO₂ content of the atmosphere, i.e. the air outside, is 0.04 vol%, this value increases in rooms where people are present because this gas is constantly exhaled by everyone, so that sufficient fresh air supply must always be ensured.

The Federal Environment Agency considers an increase of more than 0.2 vol%, i.e. five times the amount, to be a health risk.

The maximum workplace concentration is specified as 0.5 vol%. This is the CO₂ air concentration that must not be exceeded under any circumstances by healthy adults in the workplace, according to occupational health and safety regulations.

The measurement of the air under the mask (*by an environmental engineer*) showed the following:

"The carbon dioxide concentration in the air beneath the mask was already "loaded" with a carbon dioxide concentration of 3-5 vol.% after just a few breaths. The concentration remained at this level throughout the entire test."

These values exceed the CO₂ concentration in the outside air by more than a hundred times! In our practices, children and adolescents, but of course also adults, complain of fatigue, lack of concentration, headaches, dizziness, increased blood pressure, shortness of breath, as well as anxiety and panic attacks in connection with wearing a mask. There have even been cases of epileptic seizures and circulatory collapse while wearing a mask.

In addition to the physical health risks described above, wearing a mask also has significant psychological and social side effects. Not only does it eliminate facial expressions, which are particularly important communication tools for children, but wearing a mask also conveys a negative image of others—reducing them to potential virus carriers.

This is a major threat to community cohesion and also promotes further division in our society.

There is not a single study that has examined the effects of wearing masks for several hours on a physiological and psychological level.

Summarizing the facts, one can only say:

Legally, the mask requirement is equivalent to coercion and bodily harm!

The particular senselessness of the mask requirement in schools is underscored by the following further facts:

Several studies have shown that children are and have never been seriously at risk from COVID-19. Likewise, teachers' exposure to their students is virtually impossible.

This is also confirmed by the RKI situation report, which the Robert Koch Institute regularly publishes and in which the so-called "infection cluster analysis" is presented, insofar as no category is specified for the infection environment "school", because there are no significant infections at all in schools.

Prof. Dr. Christof Kuhbandner, Chair of Educational Psychology at the University of Regensburg and member of the MWGFD, has compiled an excellent review of all scientific arguments related to the wearing of masks by children in schools in a thesis paper. This important review (2) is titled "The Side Effects and Proportionality of Measures to Contain the Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 in Schools – A Thesis Paper."

The following two options provide a way to be exempt from the mask requirement for health reasons:

The first option is to self-issue a so-called "affidavit," which, in principle, anyone can create for themselves, or a parent as a legal guardian can create for their child. You must be aware that you are, of course, acting on your own responsibility. This has worked well in numerous cases so far.

According to lawyers, some authorities are now creating their own rules and only accepting certificates from doctors.

The affidavit may still be a good interim solution until such a certificate is obtained. Unfortunately, not everyone can find a doctor willing to certify the health reasons that speak against wearing a mask within a short period of time.

Here is a text example for an "affidavit"

Please note: We cannot guarantee that the text will be accepted everywhere in your case!

DECLARATION OF AN OATH

I, (surname, first name, date of birth) residing (address: street, postal code, place of residence)

I am aware of the importance of making a sworn statement to be presented to the court and of the criminal consequences of making false statements, whether intentionally or negligently.

I am also particularly aware of the content and penalties of Section 156 of the German Criminal Code (StGB) in the case of false insurance (imprisonment of up to three years or a fine) or Section 161 Paragraph 1 of the German Criminal Code in the case of negligence (imprisonment of up to one year or a fine).

With this knowledge, I declare that according to Part 1, Section 2, No. 2 (8th BayIfSMV) and the Infection Protection Measures Ordinances and similar regulations of other federal states

It is unreasonable to wear a mouth and nose mask for health reasons .

Place, Date Signature

Doctors and psychotherapists can also exempt their patients from the obligation to wear a mouth and nose covering by means of a certificate .

Doctors of all specialties, including dentists and psychotherapists, are permitted to do so. The question of whether alternative practitioners are also permitted to issue mask exemption certificates is answered in different ways. The following information was found on the Heilnetz.de website (a link to this can be found below the video):

"Alternative practitioners practice medicine and are therefore authorized, according to the Alternative Practitioners Act, to diagnose, alleviate, and treat illnesses. Against this background, they may exempt their patients from the obligation to wear a face covering—that's the theory, anyway.

Despite intensive research, it has not been possible to find an official statement in which alternative practitioners are explicitly named as authorized to issue certificates exempting from the mask requirement – as in many other cases, alternative practitioners are not mentioned, but are certainly included.

In case of doubt, alternative practitioners should contact the relevant health authority.”

When issuing a certificate exempting from the obligation to wear a mask, there are – it should be noted – two legal regulations that must be observed, but which should be self-evident for every medical professional:

Section 25 of the Medical Code of Conduct points out the necessary care that must be taken, and Section 278 of the Criminal Code (StGB) deals with the issuing of incorrect health certificates against better knowledge for use by an authority, which, given the overwhelming evidence against the obligation to wear a mask, is unlikely to pose a great danger to the issuing therapist.

Medical certificate (suggested text 1)

concerning patient (first name/surname/date of birth)

For serious medical reasons, the above-mentioned patient is exempt from the mask requirement (obligation to wear a mouth and nose covering or face shield).

If necessary (especially for children) you can add:

Likewise, the above-mentioned patient is also exempt from having to disinfect his/her hands with alcohol-based or other chemical disinfectants.”

Date, signature, practice stamp

Hand disinfection can damage the important but very sensitive skin protective layer.

In many patients, especially children,

Colleagues working in practice were able to observe significant skin irritations and inflammations as a result of hand disinfection.

Washing your hands with water and a skin-friendly soap is usually sufficient as a hygiene measure.

Medical certificate (suggested text 2)

I hereby confirm that for the patient named below

First name Last name Date of birth

within the meaning of the seventh Bavarian Infection Protection Measures Ordinance (7.BayIfSMV) of October 1, 2020 ((BayMBI. No. 562) BayRS 2126-1-11-G) pursuant to Section 1 Paragraph 2 No. 2 and within the meaning of all identical provisions / provisions of the same or similar content, it is not possible or unreasonable for health reasons to wear a mouth and nose covering or a so-called "everyday mask" or a "face shield".

Date, signature, practice stamp

Recently, we've unfortunately been receiving more and more reports that people exempt from wearing masks are being denied access to shops or other public facilities, such as gyms, despite being able to present such a certificate. Unfortunately, it also happens again and again that school principals refuse to recognize these certificates, or that children who have a mask exemption certificate are subjected to a veritable gauntlet at school.

This is by no means acceptable, because two binding legal norms, Article 3 of the Basic Law (Grundgesetz) and the General Equal Treatment Act (AGG), make it clear that there must be no discrimination or exclusion of people who cannot wear a mask and can prove this by means of a mask exemption certificate or, if necessary, an affidavit, and that in the event of a violation of this, heavy fines may be imposed.

Therefore, here is a suggested text for a legal notice to retail stores, commercial establishments with public access, schools, universities or other educational institutions, which can be attached to these certificates as a precaution:

"The holder of this exemption is entitled to participate in social life in the same way as the wearer of a face covering. This is constitutionally

protected by Article 3, Paragraph 3, Sentence 2 of the Basic Law (GG). Ordinary statutory law reflects this assessment in Section 1 in conjunction with Section 2, Paragraph 1, No. 8 of the General Equal Treatment Act (AGG). The prohibition against discriminating against the holder of this exemption because of their inability to wear a face covering also applies among private individuals. Violating this prohibition of discrimination can be costly because the person who must comply with the prohibition is liable for material and non-material damages under Section 21, Paragraph 2 of the AGG. In particular, the right to control one's own property does not constitute a legitimate reason to discriminate against the holder of this exemption."

A recent ruling by a Würzburg court, according to which diagnoses must be included in these certificates, is, in our view, contrary to data protection regulations and also to the "doctor-patient confidentiality" principle. Therefore, we can only hope that this ruling will be overturned as soon as possible in the next instance.

A temporary workaround might be to simply refer to diagnoses using the ICD code. At least, this is currently the practice of some practices.

Another *sensible* option is to take this medical certificate to a lawyer and have them issue a certification of your mask exemption, which will also inform you of your associated rights. You can carry this certification with you and present it if necessary.

You can find law firms that offer this to you, for example, on the website of the Lawyers for Enlightenment (www.afa.zone < <http://www.afa.zone> >) (4) .

For example, a text for a certification by a lawyer could look like this:

Attorney letterhead:

For presentation in retail stores and commercial establishments with public access *Stamp certified by Attorney*

Ladies and Gentlemen

For good reason, I would like to point out that Mr/Mrs XY, address or date of birth, cannot wear a mouth and nose covering for health reasons and a medical certificate to this effect is available.

According to Section 4, Paragraph 4, Sentence 2 of the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Ordinance of June 23, 2020, there is therefore no obligation to wear a mask for the above-mentioned person.

Should you nevertheless prevent them from entering your company or expel them from your premises, this would constitute unlawful discrimination under Section 19 of the General Equal Treatment Act (AGG), which you must refrain from according to Section 21 Paragraph 1 AGG.

According to Section 21 Paragraph 2 AGG, you would be required to pay appropriate compensation of at least €2,500.00 for any violation .

the assertion of which I hereby announce.

Best regards,

Stamp of the office, signature

Here we present to you another helpful text , which was written by an experienced lawyer as part of an expert opinion and which can serve as a guide for parents who are concerned about the health of their children in connection with the mask requirement when writing a letter to the school authorities , school boards and school principals .

Legal problems of mandatory mask wearing in class

With the following text, which is based on a legal opinion, the MWGFD aims to draw public attention to the health risks of mandatory mask wearing in classrooms and to show ways in which these risks can be mitigated through legal action for the benefit of children:

In many places, students are forced to wear face masks in class, during supervision, and during recess. This poses significant health risks. The wearing of face masks may not be mandated without adhering to the strict requirements of occupational health and safety law. There are binding wearing time limits (DGUV Rule 112-190, p. 147 ff.). Furthermore, Sections 5 and 6 of the German Occupational Safety and Health Act (ArbSchG) and Section 3 of the Ordinance on Workplaces (ArbStättV) stipulate the need to prepare and document a personal and workplace-related risk assessment . This assessment must, of course, be adapted if a mask requirement is introduced at a school – to whatever extent.

Mouth and nose coverings are personal protective equipment . This must be provided by the school authority (Section 15 (2) of the ArbSchG; Article 4 (6) of

Directive 89/656/EEC). In addition, the school authority must ensure that this protective equipment, i.e. masks of any kind, do not pose any major risks to students (Article 4 (1) subparagraph 2 letter a) of Directive 89/656/EEC). These risks consist primarily of CO₂ rebreathing and the formation of fungi and bacterial colonies inside the mask. In all of this, it is irrelevant that the masks are not intended to protect the wearer but other people: They are personal protective equipment because they are based on the person of their wearer and not on the design of the workplace. Especially if the wearer is not supposed to benefit from the mask, they must be particularly protected from the risks. Against this backdrop, the aforementioned wearing time limits serve to keep the risks described within bounds. The Federal Environment Agency warns of a rapid buildup of CO₂ overconcentration in the classroom itself. If CO₂ rebreathing is added to this, the overconcentration will increase significantly – and at the latest, well above the workplace limit of 5,000 ppm. The mandatory face coverings are also respiratory protective devices, specifically Group 1 (see Committee for Occupational Medicine, Occupational Medicine Rule No. 14.2). According to Section 2 Paragraph 2 of the Ordinance on Occupational Medicine (ArbMedVV), this triggers the obligation to subject students to a preventive occupational health examination as part of the preventive care program.

After all, the entire AHA rules are based on the premise that anyone can infect anyone else with SARS-CoV-2 at any time without exhibiting symptoms themselves. However, exhaled air then represents a biological agent – SARS-CoV-2 has been classified by the Committee for Biological Agents (see Section 19 of the Ordinance on Biological Agents) in the second-highest risk group, 3. Therefore, the risk assessment pursuant to Section 4 of the Ordinance on Biological Agents must also cover the specific biological risks.

For the reasons stated above, parents can request a written risk assessment from the school authority and set a deadline for its submission.

The risk assessment must show

- whether and how teachers were provided with information on how to recognise CO₂ poisoning or other possible complications such as herpes, fungal infections or inhalational allergen reactions in a timely manner;
- the qualifications held by the person responsible for the risk assessment;
- which professional association is responsible for occupational safety in the school;
- how to ensure rapid access to medical help if something happens to the child.

The necessity of a risk assessment and compliance with applicable occupational health and safety regulations cannot be denied on the grounds that schoolchildren are not employees. Rather, it is true that the rules designed for adult employees apply even more to children, who are more vulnerable. Mouth and nose coverings are also not a "piece of clothing" or even a "learning aid." The face covering is intended to be worn to protect others from viruses (supposedly transmissible without symptoms). Its use is therefore mandated for medical reasons and to protect other people. The face covering is therefore nothing more than personal protective equipment in the sense described above. The risks it poses to the child's health must be weighed against alleged risks of infection.

Without such a well-founded assessment, all those responsible face civil and criminal consequences for bodily harm. Based on the above, at least conditional intent can be assumed. The consequences affect the decision-makers personally, not just the sponsoring authority.

Fortunately, we now have a large list of therapists on the MWGFD website . (5) Here you will find—sorted by zip code—the names of doctors, alternative practitioners, psychotherapists, and other self-employed therapists whom you can contact with questions regarding mask certifications or, if necessary, vaccinations.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our therapeutic colleagues and supporters who have registered on our "therapist list" on our website!

If you, dear colleague, are also interested in participating, please send us an email to info@mwgfd.org "Subject: Therapist List"

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